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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:		
Riccardo CESARINI et al.		
Application Serial No.: 10/679,357		Group Art Unit: 1733
Filed:	October 7, 2003	Examiner: Maki, Steven D.
For:	HIGH PERFORMANCE TIRE) FOR VEHICLES)	Confirmation No.: 3867
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		
Sir:		

REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 41.47(b), Appellant requests an oral hearing. This request is timely since it is made within two-months of the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer on March 19, 2008.

The required fee of \$ 1,030.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(3) is concurrently filed. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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